REPORT

DATE:

September 2, 2004

TO:

The Administration Committee

The Regional Council

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

NARC Membership Dues

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize fiscal year 2004/05 expenditure of \$12,500 for annual membership dues to the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC).

SUMMARY:

The NARC represents regional councils and Metropolitan Planning Organizations in issues of transportation, community and economic development, homeland security and the environment. NARC advocates on behalf of regional councils for the coordination, planning and delivery of new and existing federal programs and promotes the use of regional councils as the forums for inter-jurisdictional decision making. SCAG has been a member of NARC for many years, with extensive participation. Supervisor Judy Mikels currently sits on the NARC Board of Directors, and plans are underway to begin her campaign for 2nd Vice President of the Board.

Through their advocacy efforts, NARC effectively represents the legislative and regulatory interests of regional councils. NARC was a major contributor to the development of ISTEA and TEA-21 and has been very active in the TEA-21 Reauthorization process. They also provide member education and services, helping members address regional challenges through conferences, publications, technical assistance and training.

NARC membership dues for fiscal year 2004-05 are \$12,500. In addition NARC is requesting additional support for their transportation advocacy program in the amount of \$12,500. Due to SCAG's membership in AMPO for transportation issues, staff recommends paying \$12,500 for the membership dues portion only as the organization did in 2003-2004.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approving this request will result in an expenditure of \$12,500 for the membership dues. Funding to pay for NARC membership dues is located within the Government Affairs section of the SCAG 2004-05 adopted budget.

ATTACHMENT:

NARC Invoice

T. Gorham NARC 2004-05 Dues docs#102040

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